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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: S. KANNO et al.  
Serial No.: 09/651,783  
Filed: August 30, 2000  
For: AN APPARATUS FOR TREATING PERFLUOROCOMPOUND  
GAS  
Group: 1754  
Examiner: N. Nguyen

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL - EXPEDITED**  
**PROCEDURE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

**MS AF**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 10, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A petition for a one month extension of time accompanies this reply.

**Amendments to the Specification and Abstract** begin on page 2.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4.

**Remarks** begin on page 11.